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Attorney-at-Law,
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Sabbath school immediately after the
morning service. Prayer meeting Wed-
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will be extended to all. Those at-
tached to other churches are especially in-
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Meets every second and fourth Fri-
days in each month in Odd Fellows' Hall,
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Whether you win wealth or not
will depend upon your comprehension
of the great underlying prin-
ciples of business and the adjust-
ment of your affairs in reference
thereto. All of our readers are
desirous of obtaining his or her
share of the world's good things.
This can only be done by keeping
pace with this progressive age.
One's own individual efforts will
not suffice. What is needed is co-
operation. You should keep posted
on all things that you may need to
buy. It is a well established fact
that the consumer (those who buy
at retail) are paying in these United
States from one to twenty-five per
cent. more than is necessary, simply
from the fact that they do not keep
posted on current prices. How
long could a merchant avoid failure
were he to use such lax methods in
making his purchases? One would
quickly say such a dealer was a
failure from the beginning, then
why do you use this method in the
small way? It would cost you but
the request to keep pace with the
times in the way of prices on all
stable articles you are apt to use.
All that is needed is to notify
BROWN & ARMSTRONG, general
merchants, Milford, Pa., and you
will receive a monthly price sheet.
They issue this the first of each
month. They are also pleased at
all times to furnish samples and to
fill promptly all orders received by
mail.

Advertise in the Press.

Pennsylvania Provides Statesmen.
In the "Congressional Directory"
of the Fifty-fourth Congress just is-
sued is contained the biographies of
the members. According to the list
Pennsylvania, as an eastern state, has
contributed her share toward pro-
viding other states with senators
and representatives: Senators Bur-
rows, of Michigan; Mitchell, of Ore-
gon; Shoup, of Idaho and Pepper,
of Kansas, were born in this state and
so were Representatives Wilson,
of Idaho; Wood and Burrell, of Illinois;
Leighly, of Missouri; Long, of Kan-
sas; Apsey, of Massachusetts; Tan-
ney, of Minnesota; DeArmond, of
Missouri; Wadsworth, of New York;
Doellittle, of Washington; Huling,
of West Virginia; and Flynn, of New
York. Our state might well be
named the mother of statesmen.

FOREST LAKE ASSOCIATION

A Wonderful Transformation Took Place.

Financial Statement of the Association—
Splendidly Situated in the Wilderness
of Pike County—The Club House En-
larged to Twice Its Size—Two Beauti-
ful Lakes on It—Some Lands Cleared.
We are just in receipt of the an-
nual financial statement of the For-
est Lake Association, ending Nov.
15, 1895, which shows a balance on
the credit side of nearly \$400. This
indicates a feature in the manage-
ment of the affairs of the corpora-
tion, which will attract attention.
The rule is that such associations
have a balance on the other side.
The Forest Lake was organized in
1882, and then purchased a body of
land aggregating about two square
miles, situated on the mountain back
of Mast Hope. The country there
was a wilderness, on the land were
two beautiful lakes, the little and
big Corralas. The road to the
tracts was through the woods over
rocks and stones for 4½ miles, to an
elevation of 850 feet above the river.
In two years a wonderful transfor-
mation took place. The roads which
had been the beds of streams, were
made passable, the jungle overlook-
ing the ponds was cleared, and a
good sized club house, barn and ice-
house erected. But growth did not
pause with these, it quietly contin-
ued until now the acreage of land ac-
quired has doubled, and includes the
large and superb sheet of water
known as Wolf Pond. The club house
has been enlarged to twice its original
size, and is fully equipped in every
department. There have also been
erected six private cottages, boat
houses on the shores of the ponds of
sufficient capacity to house about 90
sail and row boats, new barns
and outbuildings have been added,
fruit, shade and other ornamental
trees planted, paths made, a bowling
alley built, and the grounds laid out,
and in a velvet lawn. At a visit
there in July we estimated that fully
70,000 to 80,000 dollars had been ex-
pended there during the past thirteen
years for labor, buildings and im-
provements. During this time there
has been no retrograde movement,
no suits at law, no reorganizations,
no failure to pay all bills promptly.
Other associations and clubs have
sprung up and had a brief existence,
and either passed under the sheriff's
hammer or are languishing beneath
a heavy indebtedness.

This one is practically free of debt
and its stock is selling for \$150 above
par.
It is the privilege of the writer to
have been one of the charter mem-
bers of this association, and its legal
adviser since its incorporation. A
pardonable pride exists in its pros-
perity and the assurance that his
services have never been underesti-
mated by the active managers, and
that good and lasting fellowship has
been created, and friendships formed
which will be as enduring as they
are pleasant. To Dr. Hadden, of
New York, President of the associa-
tion may be ascribed much of the
success which has followed it at
every step. He is indefatigable
persistent, and practical. In nearly
all his efforts however he had the
cheerful co-operation of the mem-
bers.

The organization was founded on
the idea that it should be for the
members, their families and friends,
a kind of home circle, and this
policy has been carefully and suc-
cessfully pursued. Its unwritten
motto is let it be for our health and
pleasure, not a burden or a depres-
sing care.
From the Editor's Pen and Ink.
All other eyes are full of beams
to the man who has a mote in his
own eye.
The preacher who never smiles
will some day find out why his ser-
mons did not weigh more.
If fewer fathers were moderate
drinkers, fewer sons would become
immoderate drunkards.

PRIVILEGES OF A HOTEL

How the Guests Successfully Tipped the Em-
ployees. Rewards for Valuables Found.

In a recent issue of the Gazette it
told a travelling salesman to ask for
the meagre reward he gave a clerk
in a hotel in that town, who had
picked up a valuable ring which the
salesman left lying on the marble
slab over the wash bowl. We know
nothing of the merits of this particu-
lar case, there may have been reasons
why the salesman should have given
a large reward to the clerk for the
recovery of his possessions, but the
general fee system in vogue seems
to be a growing evil. It is right and
proper to reward any one who vol-
untarily serves us, and who does so
at any cost of labor or inonvenience
to himself. It is right to reward and
encourage honesty, and to make
evident the fact that it is appreciated.
It is right to compensate for a service
not otherwise compensated for, but
we assume that landlords pay their
clerks and waiters a fair remunera-
tion for the services they render,
now why should the traveler who
pays the landlord for his meals and
lodging, be expected to tip the clerk
to get a better room perhaps, tip
waiter or waitress to get a choicer
morsel or prompter service, tip the
chamber maid to have his room kept
in better condition, tip the hall
boy who shows him to his room, tip
the chap who brushes his coat, and in
short tip everybody around the estab-
lishment. What are these employees
for if not to attend to the wants
and comforts of the guests, to see
that they are properly cared for, and
that their property and persons shall
be reasonably protected during their
sojourn in the hotel? or do they in-
tend that these shall be furnished
only in proportion to the generosity
of the guest? The fee system and the
treating system are on a par
and should both be abolished. If
the landlord is paying his help star-
vation wages and expects them to
eke out their existence by preying
on the public, let him so advertise,
if not let him charge sufficient rates
to enable him to pay his help fair
wages, and then every one will be
served alike as those who pay the
per diem deserve. The clerk should
remember that it is only part of his
business for which he is paid or
ought to be to look after the guests
and if one of them inadvertently
leaves some valuables lying around
it should be a duty to return it
without requesting or allowing the
careless person to be "twitted" into
paying him for performing a simple
act of common honesty.

That the salesman chances to
wear expensive ornaments is no
reason why he should be taxed
a large sum as insurance when he
stops at a hotel.
Must a person to be "consistent"
fee the employees of the hotel or any
other place in proportion to the value
of his jewels or the clothes he wears?
Are these evidences of his prosperity
or foolishness or whatever it may be,
to be taxed according to the idea of
the hotel employees, or the hangers
on, and if the man declines to pay
the tariff, should he be publicly de-
nounced as wanting in the common
elements of thankfulness or grati-
tude. Let this fee system be dis-
couraged and prohibited. Such
course would eventually ensure to
the benefit of the landlord and pro-
mote the cheerfulness and comfort
of the guest.

ST. LOUIS IS THE PLACE.

Republican National Convention, Will Meet in
St. Louis June 18, 1896.
The national committee decided
to hold the national convention at
St. Louis at a meeting held in Wash-
ington December 10. The objections
to San Francisco were the distance
and lack of telegraph facilities.
Pittsburg failed because of her
scarcity of hotel accommodations to
house such a large number of dele-
gates.
The decision does not seem to have
been influenced by any Presidential
politics. St. Louis is now a Repub-
lican city and the state of Missouri
is in transition politically, and this
fact probably influenced the conclu-
sion of the committee.

BETTER ROADS NEEDED

Wide-Tire Wagon Law Should Be
Regarded.

Heavy Wagons Should Be Equipped With
Tires Not Less Than Four Inches in
Width—Elect Good Supervisors Not
Poor Ones.
Better roads mean less work for
teams, less expenses for repairs to
damaged wagons, larger loads in the
same time, and consequently more
profit in carting. Narrow tires cut
up the roads, while broad tires do
not, and are easier on horses. The
Act of 1895 provides that all persons
who own and used draft wagons on
the public roads with tires not less
than four inches wide for hauling
loads of not less than a ton, shall
receive a rebate on their road tax of
one fourth, but shall not exceed in
any one year five days labor or its
equivalent, in cash.
As the time for the election of su-
pervisors for the ensuing year is
rapidly approaching, let the people
try to elect supervisors who will
build good roads and not poor ones.
Apropos of the above, the law is
that nominations by party primaries
for borough and township offices
and school directors, must be filed
eight days before the election, that
is by January 31st, and nomina-
tions by nomination papers fifteen
days before, which will be February
3rd. It is safer not to wait until the
last day, but to hold the caucuses
earlier, and file the certificates as
early as possible.

A Street Railway in Port Jervis.
Application has been made to the
Board of Trustees of Port Jervis
by a corporation entitled the Port
Jervis Electric Street Railroad Com-
pany for a franchise to build an
electric road through the streets of
that village. The officers of the cor-
poration are: Hon. Lafe Pence,
president; George McKibben, vice-
president, and S. D. Lake, secretary.
There is a squint in it toward Pike
county in that it asks to run along
Pike street to Barret bridge.

A Board of Trustees in Difficulty.
The trustees of Port Jervis seem
to be having some trouble with their
police force. Charges of incompet-
ency, intoxication and general neglect
of duty are made, and the chief of po-
lice appears to think that he is not
sustained in his efforts to suppress
the various forms of evil which are
present and largely apparent.
Wherever the difficulty may lie, no
doubt such a competent Board of
Trustees as the village possesses will
in the end take such steps as may be
necessary to solve the trouble and
bring about a reign of law and order.
There is no good reason why vice
should not be suppressed to greater
extent than appears to be the case
over there, and if it is not the peo-
ple should see that some one loses a
political neck.

Wayne County Farmers' Institute.
The recent institute held at Hones-
dale, Nov. 29, and 30 was a de-
cided success, and much interest
evinced in the meeting. It was
mainly conducted by local talent,
and the addresses show that the
farmers of Wayne are thinkers, and
talkers as well as workers. Some
of the answers to questions were
that it does not pay to shell corn from
the cob, have them ground together
both for milk and for pigs. The
line question aroused quite a dis-
cussion one man said he received
benefit from sowing fifty bushels to
the acre on heavy clay soil, and Prof.
Watson declared that the time is
bound to come when lime will have
no effect on the soil. Mr. Woodman-
see stated that his plan of renewing
worn out meadows is to give them
a good top dressing, seed and harrow
thoroughly. It was asserted that it
does not pay to draw manure from the
swamps for fertilizer. It was said
it does not pay to plant potatoes by
hand, plow them in and then use the
harrow until the plants are four or
five inches high. Apply the manure
the fall before.

When we come close to a giant,
he often turns out to be only a short
man on stilts.

ALLEN G. THURMAN DEAD.

"The Robust Roman of Them All" Passed
Away at Columbus, Ohio.
By Associated Press.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Hon.
Allen G. Thurman died at 1:15 p. m.
to-day. He was born at Lynch-
burgh, Va., 1813. United States
Senator from Ohio in 1869-1881; was
a prominent Democratic candidate
for President in 1876; ran on Demo-
cratic ticket with Cleveland in 1888.

BOYS OF PIKE COUNTY.

In the West Holding Responsible Positions and
Held in High Esteem.
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 7, 1895.

EDITOR OF THE PRESS.—Thinking
that perhaps your readers might be
interested in the whereabouts of the
Pike county boys, at present lo-
cated in Chicago, I give you below
a brief outline of what they are
doing:
J. Wallace (Walley) Heller is
manager of the claim department of
the Crane Company, manufacturers
of steam fittings and radiators, by
which firm he is held in the highest
esteem.

J. A. Johnson, after years of
faithful service, was last week pro-
moted to the responsible position of
shipping clerk in the extensive dry
goods house of Mandel Brothers.
His brother, H. L. (Kirby) Johnson,
is manager of the polishing depart-
ment of a large jewelry factory on
Madison street.

George Shultz is employed in the
paint shops of the Chicago, Milwa-
aukee & St. Paul Railroad, where he
works at his trade, learned under
Frank Van Campen. George has
been married within the past year
and last week became the father of
a bouncing boy.

Ernest Beck and John Schmedel
are still in the employ of the watch
case factory located on Dearborn
street.

Jacob Lattimore is the proprietor
of a restaurant on Des Plaines street,
known as Lattimore's Popular Re-
staurant, and is doing a flourishing
business.

Ex-Superintendent Thomas, of the
Eastern Division, Erie Railway,
formerly of Port Jervis, is president
of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois
Railway with headquarters at the
Dearborn station. Mr. Thomas is
looked upon as an oracle in Chicago
Railway centers.

Bayard Nichols, son of Reverend
Thomas Nichols, has a responsible
position in the Western Branch of
R. Hoe & Co., printing press manu-
facturers, of New York and Chi-
cago.

OBITUARY.

JOHN JOHNSON.
Mention was made last week of
the death of John Johnson, a former
resident of Middletown who died at
his home in Brooklyn, Sunday
morning, of apoplexy of the brain,
aged 89 years.

Deceased was born in Wigh-
tenshire, Scotland. He married Eliza-
beth Parkhill, of Scotland, who
died 13 years ago. Nine years ago
he married Mrs. Pitchard, who sur-
vives him. He is also survived by
seven children: Alex. John, Thomas
William, James, all of Brooklyn;
Mary, wife of Willis G. Tice, of
Middletown, and Nellie wife of
James Searf, of Brooklyn. He is
also survived by one sister in Scot-
land.

Mr. Johnson had been in business
in New York for forty-four years.
He was a member of the Masonic
Lodge and had taken the 33d degree.
The remains were brought to this
city Wednesday on the morning train,
burial in Hillside cemetery.—Mid-
dletown Press.

The Sheriff's Sale.

The sheriff sold Dec. 6th the fol-
lowing properties:
Land of W. K. and G. K. Ridg-
way, part of the Glen, 16 acres to
Lizzie R. Mott for \$1,000.
Land of Nelson Kirkendall's, Est.
162 acres to John H. Thompson for
\$1,050.
Land of Charles Miller, and Wm.
Fisher, 50 acres to F. P. Kimble for
\$300.

BRIEF MENTIONS.

—In a recent trial of the horseless
carriages, the vehicle made 92 miles
out of Chicago in 524 minutes, or,
the rate of a mile in about 5½ min-
utes. It consumed 5½ gallons of
gasoline, costing less than one dol-
lar, that is less than one cent per
mile. What is to become of the
poor horse?

—A large boarding house is being
built at Culver's Lake, near the Gap.
Work is being pushed rapidly. The
lake is a fine sheet of water, and
no doubt is destined to become a
popular resort.

—Storm doors are a great saving
of fuel, cheaply made easily put up
and taken down. Now is a good
time to look after them.

—Considering the hard times, our
borough shows marked signs of pro-
sperity and improvement. Several
new buildings are being erected, and
the sounds of the hammer and saw
makes music in our midst.

—An estimate of the number of
typewriters in use in the world, to-
day places them at 200,000 furnishing
employment directly and indirectly
to over 400,000 people. Ladies seem
to be engaged much more extensively
than men in the employment. The
present out put of machines is 140
per day.

—The Episcopal Church corner
fifth and Catharine streets is being
improved by the erection of hand-
some blue stone steps to replace the
wooden ones at the entrances, and
work is also being done on the tower.

—A party of Jersey men from near
Deerstown, who had been hunting
back at Porter township, consisting
of Messrs. Backster, McCoy, Law-
rence, and Givens, returned home
last week taking with them, several
rabbits 16 pheasants and a fine deer.

—An exchange says, a newspaper
is always printed in a rush. There
is always something in it that should
have been left out, and something
left out that should have been put
in. It is sometimes too quick to act,
but with all its faults and short com-
ings, there is more education in a
bright newsy paper than there is in
a novel. You will find the brightest
boy on practical, sensible every day
questions is the boy who reads the
newspapers. And the man who
reads them is not the one who buys
gold bricks, or bets on some game
with a sharper and loses the hard
earned savings of years. The people
who read the paper know the prices
of articles they wish to buy, and the
value of things they have to sell.

They are informed on all current
topics, they think and when they
talk have something worth listening to.
Read the papers
—This choice business is a nu-
isance, and ought to be abolished.
It is very questionable if it is not un-
lawful as gambling. Who wants a
"chance" on some old house, or cow,
or turkey, or some other thing the
owner cannot sell. The churches
should frown down all such schemes
to enrich their coffers, and people
generally should promptly taboo any
effort to get something out of them
for nothing, or by gambling for a
possible gain.

—The Ladies' Christian Union, of
the Hope Evangelical church, of
Matamoras, will hold their annual
fair and supper at the residence of
Mr. Youngs Kilpatrick on Wednes-
day and Thursday evening, Decem-
ber 18th and 19th. All will do well to
attend as beautiful fancy work is
something of curiosity to those who
wish to keep posted on what is being
seen and made by the fair sex of
that village.

—A short time since a man and his
wife were poisoned at Trenton N. J.,
by eating honey. A chemical analy-
sis of the honey showed that the
poison was gathered by the bees,
either from the flowers of the
mountain laurel or a plant known as
lamb-kill, which is of the same species.
The honey came from Ocean
county.

—If the President omitted to say
many good things in his message,
he at least said one, and that was in
connection with foreign affairs in
reference to Venezuelan matters.
He there introduced enough of the

Monroe doctrine to cause the British
lion to wink hard and kink his tail.
—Quincy sore throat seems to be
epidemic in Green township, quite a
number there having suffered an at-
tack.
—Court meets Monday, Dec. 16 at
3 p. m.

PERSONALS.

Prof. Henry E. Beemer, one of the
best piano tuners in the country and
a graduate of the Boston Conserva-
tory of Music, is attending the At-
lanta exposition.

Miss Georgiana Hubbard is very
ill at the house of Mr. Geo. Warner,
but under the care of Dr. E. B.
Wenner, is evincing signs of speedy
improvement.

Mrs. Hillard will spend the winter
in Milford, while her sister Miss
Gallagher, will pass the time at
Lakewood N. J.

Mr. Justin Niles, accompanied
by Pierre M. Niles of Edgemere,
dropped in a moment on Monday,
and bid us God-speed. He says the
club at that place shows substantial
signs of having come to stay.

Mr. H. M. Courtwright, of Cona-
shaugh was a caller the same day,
and rather tickled or vanity by re-
marking that the Press was a good
paper, and supplied all his wants in
that direction.

Mr. James P. Van Etten of Cona-
shaugh, was running over the tele-
phone line this week, which he in-
forms us will be extended to Bash-
kill in the near future, more phones
put in here and elsewhere, and much
more enlarged service afforded its
rapidly increasing number of pat-
rons.

Mr. Harvey Klaer, of Lafayette
College, seems to be quite in demand
as a speaker. Recently the Frank-
lin Literary Society held its prelimi-
nary debate and Mr. Klaer was
chosen one of the debaters.

Miss Margaret McCarty, of Mont-
ague, N. J., suffered a stroke of par-
alysis in her left side on Monday
last and is entirely helpless.

John C. Corneliuss is connected with
the Morning Chronicle, a newspaper
published in Chicago. John is a
hustler and no doubt, an efficient
aid to hold so responsible a position.

Mrs. Sweeney, a very aged re-
sident of Greene Township, being
nearly eighty-seven years old, has
been very ill, with a complication of
diseases. Among them quinsy sore
throat. She is the mother of Com-
missioners Clerk G. A. Sweeney who
was called there last week by a
telegram stating her dangerous
condition. She has however im-
proved, and considering her greatly
advanced age is recovering quite rap-
idly. Mr. Sweeney has returned to
his duties here.

Mr. Geo. H. Bortree was consid-
ered dangerously sick with quinsy
sore throat but at present is much
better.

A pension has just been granted
to the late John C. Thomas. The
papers were received since his death.
The allowance is \$145 back pay, and
\$6 per month. This meagre reward
for meritorious service came too late
to be any aid to a worthy soldier
but it will afford comfort to his
widow.

Mr. W. H. Armstrong has recently
left for his Washington home.

John Minter, who now resides in
Brooklyn, N. Y., but formerly lived
at Nichecronk pond, was in town
this week.

Louis Chatillon, of Dingman
township, recently got a taste of
something dear in Port Jervis for
having a deer in his possession out
of season. He was fined \$10 and costs.

Mrs. Seivalde, of New York, is
visiting her father, Mr. A. T. Seely.
Mr. Charles Ott, who keeps a hotel
at 6 Greenwich street, New York, is
in Milford on business.

Ed. Kellam and wife of Paupack,
are visiting hereabout.

Notices.

The annual election of managers
of the Milford cemetery association
will be held at the office of C. W.
Ball on Monday, January 6, 1896,
from two to three o'clock p. m.
WILLIAM MITCHELL, Sec'y.
Milford, Pa., Dec. 10th, 1895.